

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of claims 6, 7 and 12. Claims 2 to 7 and 9 to 12 have been canceled.

In the Final Office Action dated September 19, 2007, claims 1 to 5, 8 to 11, 13 to 15 and 16 to 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Aoyama et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,365,659; hereinafter "Aoyama"); claims 6 and 7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoyama in view of Naylor et al. (WO 97/47675); claim 12 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoyama in view of Kato et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,680,353); and claim 19 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Aoyama in view of Uchida et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,670,030). The present amendments to claim 1 are believed to overcome the rejections in the final action. The prior art fails to support a case of anticipation and fails to support a case of prima facie obviousness of a polyester resin composition including the features of amended claim 1.

A notice of allowability of the claims is believed to be in order and is respectfully solicited. If, however, minor issues remain that can be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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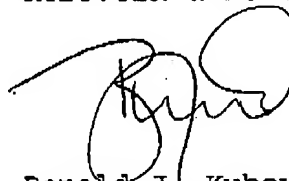
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